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JAPAN WILL BE PEACEFUL.

The Japanese immigration muddle has thus far served to bring out that there is a vast difference between what the Japanese government does and what the Japanese newspapers say it is going to do. The rulers of Japan understand their people and pay more or less attention to the wild outbursts of so-called patriotism, but on the other hand the Japanese people are ruled rather than ruling and are not in close touch with the policy of public men.

Notwithstanding the reports published in the Japanese papers the policy of Japan's diplomats in the immigration affair is a thoroughly peaceful one. Assertions to this effect come from men who are in a position to know what they are talking about, and when Japan's position among other nations is taken into consideration, the conclusion drawn by Japanese officials is reasonable.

In the first place Japan has a great deal to take care of at home. Corea and Formosa demand undivided attention, constantly presenting some new problem that must be handled with no little diplomatic delicacy. Japan has to keep one eye open towards Russia which is quietly and persistently seeking to increase its power in the Orient. Great Britain also has to be handled with gloves and its friendship maintained if possible. With numerous vital problems to deal with on the proper solution of which the life of the nation depends, it is not probable that Japanese diplomats will go about the Pacific ocean looking for trouble.

We do not presume to state that Japan will quietly withdraw from the Hawaiian affair now on its hands. The selection of one of the leading international lawyers of the country as special commissioner clearly demonstrates that the intention is not to make boy's play of the matter. The officials of Hawaii will be obliged to play their best cards. At the same time the struggle will be characterized as a contest of brains not brawn. There are so many aggressive nations waiting to take advantage of Japan, that it is in no position to "pick a row" in Hawaii that may eventually result in a serious loss of power nearer home. The Japanese people are short sighted and cannot appreciate the dangers surrounding their nation, but the men at the head on whom rests the responsibility of holding the ground already gained will go slowly and carefully, guarding assiduously against any action that will bring them into conflict with friendly and more powerful nations.

If some of the Japanese enthusiasts are balked in the fulfillment of their desires to make a peaceful conquest by slowly colonizing this country, the position is such in the Orient that they will be forced to make the best of it and withdraw to more favorable grounds. Japan cannot afford to shake a warlike fist even under little Hawaii's nose.

DR. BARROWS AND INDIA.

The large amount of cheap criticism heaped upon Rev. Dr. Barrows who passed through this city on the China has caused the religious world to watch with exacting care his career and influence while in India. When Dr. Barrows conceived the idea of a Parliament of Religions he was roundly condemned for suggesting that Christians should deign to meet on a common platform with the representatives of Confucianism, Buddhism and Moham-

medanism. His scheme however, was finally carried out successfully and a short time ago, a wealthy lady of Chicago furnished the funds for the eminent divine to make a tour of the world, giving particular attention to India, where his previous teachings were said by some to have had a retarding influence upon Christian mission work.

Notwithstanding, Dr. Barrows' purported pernicious liberalism, nearly all the reports, given by missionaries and the religious press of India, point to the pure orthodox principles that characterize his lectures. The India Christian Herald edited by a native speaks of Dr. Barrows' "downright faithfulness." The Queen, a liberal paper criticises him because of his lack of liberality. It says: "Dr. Barrows does not belong, to judge by his Calcutta lectures, even to the advanced ranks of liberals among the trinitarian Christians. His interpretation of Christianity is orthodox from beginning to end; and they take no note of the results of modern criticism of the Christian Scriptures." The Watchman a Baptist publication of Boston says that missionaries report that their hands have been sensibly strengthened by Dr. Barrows' powerful and persuasive setting forth of the Christian faith. "Only those are disappointed who expected something else. And it is now apparent as never before to the intelligent native mind that Christianity is able to hold its own, while dealing fairly with every other religion."

One of the moral lessons to be gained from the action and words of Dr. Barrows is that the day for harsh Puritanical methods in dealing with religious sentiment has passed. The best interests of Christianity are not served by its representatives placing themselves on a high pedestal, giving to the world the impression that they alone represent the sheep and the rest of humanity must be classed with the goats. Intolerance is not one of the tenets of Christian faith. Men will listen to argument, but they will shun self-asserted piety from a select few who seek to lay down iron clad religious laws which others must follow or be forever lost.

The Japanese leaders will show a good degree of common sense by refraining from any unusual demonstration on the arrival of the Naniwa. The regulation courtesies are to be expected and there is no reason why the visiting officials should not be winned and dined on the best country affords. Any demonstration however, that will tend to stir up a clash of jingo spirits is very properly figured at a discount.

The address of Rev. Dr. Barrows on Jesus Christ, the Universal Man and Only Saviour, was out of the ordinary style. It was a literary presentation of the claim of the Christian Faith to be the religion for the world. Addressed to literate, it abounded in allusions, which required for their appreciation on the part of the hearers, a wide acquaintance with the literature of all lands. Its tone of devout praise sounded

like the lost chord, so often lacking in much of the preaching and worship of modern days. It seemed in its fervid rhetoric like an anticipation of the song of triumph when the kingdoms of this world shall have become the kingdom of the Christ, and the service of heaven one continuous song of praise.

PERSONAL AND PECULIAR.

Sir Arthur Sullivan has composed a new Victorian ballet, for which he is to receive \$10,000. His "Mikado" is soon to be produced in Brussels for the first time in French.

The total wealth of Great Britain, with all her possessions, has been estimated to be £8,000,000,000. France comes next with £7,500,000,000. The wealth of the six largest nations of the world aggregates £33,000,000.

A marine engineer recently went into the Hong Kong police court wearing his hat and smoking. The magistrate fined him \$25 for contempt of court.

Recent German experiments show that bacteria flourish exceedingly in certain building stones, and that even in those not very porous the ubiquitous microbe finds a domicile. It is recommended that only non-porous stone should be used in the construction of hospitals, but as even granite absorbs water, such stone will be difficult to find.

Hawaii, says the Tacoma Morning Union, is knocking louder than ever at the door of Union. Will Uncle Sam be permitted to adopt the orphan Republic? We shall see.—Japan Gazette.

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TIMELY TOPICS

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The "Australia" brought the news yesterday that a special commissioner had left Yokohama on board the warship "Naniwa" for the purpose of investigating the recent difficulty with the Japanese immigrants here.

The prevailing sentiment is that no trouble need be apprehended on that score, and that after a little "roasting" the whole affair will blow over.

While on the subject of "roasting," perhaps it would not be out of place to mention the

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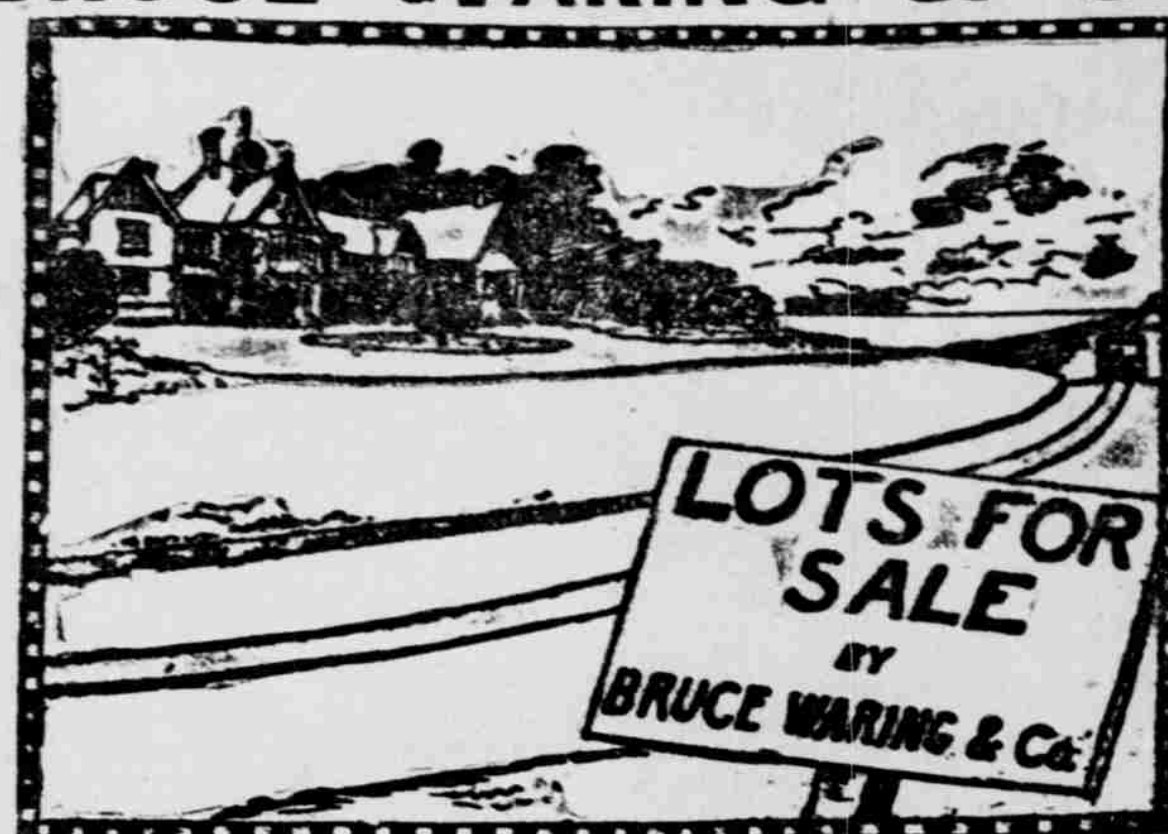
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